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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TO SECSTATE SEP 24, 1973 FROM BUENOS AIRES REPEATED TO YOU:

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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PFOR, AR

SUBJECT: SPECIAL DELEGATION TO PERON INAUGURATION

- 1. DURING MY FAREWELL RECEPTION AT EMBASSY RESIDENCE SEP 20, DCM FOUND OCCASION TO INQUIRE OF FONMIN VIGNES REGARDING GOA PLANS FOR OCT 12 INAUGURAL. VIGNES SAID GOA WOULD SHORTLY BE EXTENDING INVITATIONS TO ACCREDIT "SPECIAL DELEGATIONS" FOR THIS EVENT. HOWEVER, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ON SAME OCCASION SAID HE HAD NO RPT NO INSTRUCTIONS TO THIS EFFECT.
- 2. CONSEQUENTLY, DURING LENGTHY CONVERSATION ON OTHER MATTERS SEP 22 WITH SPECIAL ADVISOR TO FONMIN, AMBASSADOR DE LA PLAZA, DCM AGAIN RAISED QUESTION. DE LA PLAZA IMMEDIATELY PHONED VIGNES, WHO CONFIRMED WHAT HE HAD TOLD DCM AND HAD HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY PHONE DE LA PLAZA WITH DETAILS, E.E. TELEGRAM SENT EVENING SEP 21 TO ALL ARGENTINE EMBASSIES INSTRUCTING THEM TO CONVEY TO HOST GOVTS GOA INVITATION TO BE REPRESENTED BY SEPECIAL DELEGATIONS AT INAUGURATION. (CIRCULAR NOTE SENT AT SAME TIME TO ALL DIPLOMATIC CONFIDENTIAL

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3. DE LA PLAZA SAID FOR MANY OBVIOUS REASONS, HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SECY KISSINGER HEAD US DELEGATION, BUT HE RECOGNIZED PROBLEMS THIS ENTAILED IN VIEW OF DR KISSINGER'S JUST HAVING ASSUMED HIS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES. HOWEVER, HE HOPED EVERY EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO CONVINCE PRESIDENT NIXON AND SECY KISSINGER OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS EVENT AND OF THE VERY SPECIAL ESTEEM FOR SECY KISSINGER AMONG ARGENTINES OF ALL PERSUASIONS. HE SAID HE THOUGH FONMIN VIGNES, WHEN HE MEETS DR KISSINGER OCT 5, WOULD PROBABLY URGE HIM TO COME TO BUENOS AIRES ON OCT 12, OR FAILING THAT VERY SOON THEREAFTER. LODGE UNQUOTE RUSH

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